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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	16	Minus	** = 20	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	12	Minus	** = 12	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
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* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$300 (150) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the ___ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a ___ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
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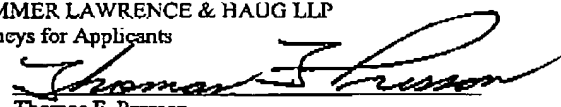
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 17, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on August 17, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.